

Agriculture & Forestry Technical Work Group Call #2

September 8, 2005



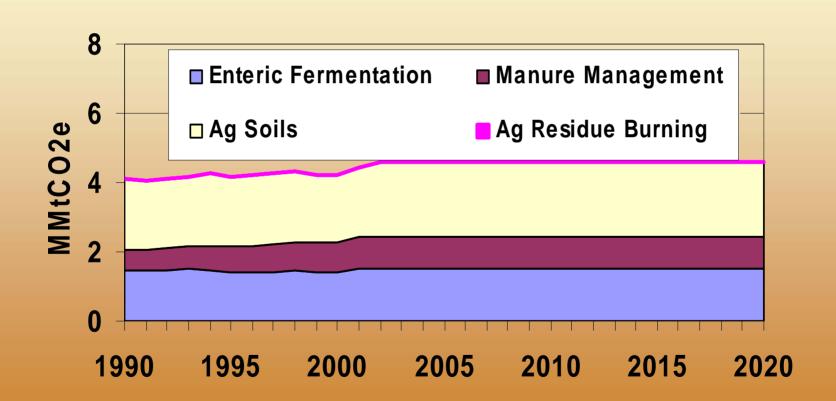


Today's Agenda

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Roll call
- 3. Review of September 1, 2005 Meeting Summary
- 4. AZ Open Meeting Law update
- 5. Suggested revisions to draft AZ GHG emissions inventory and forecast for Agriculture & Forestry
- 6. Discussion of list of potential state GHG actions
- 7. Discussion of rankings for potential GHG actions, next steps toward identification of priorities for analysis
- 8. Call to the public
- 9. Proposed agenda items for next meeting
- 10. Announcements

- Suggested revisions to draft inventory and Reference Case Projections for the Agricultural sector?
 - SGIT Ag Module posted to website
 - Review and Clarifying questions

- Data Sources
 - USDA data collected by states and USDA
- Methods
 - GHG conversions using EPA methods
- Key Assumptions and Uncertainties
 - No growth from 2004 levels



- Suggested inventory revisions:
 - Data sources?
 - Data methods?
 - Key assumptions?

- Suggested forecast revisions:
 - Data sources?
 - Data methods?
 - Key assumptions?

- Suggested revisions to draft inventory and Reference Case Projections for the Forestry sector?
 - AZ FORCARB data posted to website
 - Review and Clarifying questions

Data Sources

- Forest Inventory Analysis (FIA) data collected by states and USFS
- HARVCARB and soil data collected through field studies
- NRI data collected by states and USDA

Methods

- USFS FORCARB2 carbon stock change model
 - Augmented with flow estimates from soil carbon and HARVCARB data

- Key Assumptions and Uncertainties
 - Size and trends of Carbon stocks on rangelands?
 - Effect of changed forest definition?
 - Nonlinear trends for biomass growth, mortality, and commercial use?
 - Forest health, commercial activities?
 - Better state tree growth and soil tables ?
 - Harvested wood products imports/exports?

- Options for reference case projections (2002-2020)
 - Held constant from 2004 (current)
 - Modification through expert judgment
 - Modeled forecast
- Choice does not affect quantification of policy options

- Forest carbon stock changes
 - 1987-2002 average annual stock changes
 - Carbon only

Live and dead-standing trees and understory	2.5
Forest floor and coarse woody debris	-3.8
Soils	-5.5
Wood products and landfills	0.0
Total	-6.7

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Policy Options

- Review Potential List of Options
 - See matrix of potential strategies and actions
- Develop and review draft rankings by 9/15
 - Agriculture
 - Forestry

Agriculture Options

- Agriculture
 - Production of Fuels and Electricity
 - Fertilizer and Manure Management
 - Soil Carbon Management
 - Land Use Change
 - Farming Practices
- Revisions to matrix?
 - Additions
 - Information to support draft rankings?

Forestry Options

- Forestry
 - Biomass Protection and Management
 - Wood Products and Waste
 - Energy Production
- Revisions to matrix?
 - Additions
 - Information to support draft rankings?

Next Call

- Proposed agenda items
 - Timing of additional calls prior to September 29 CCAG meeting
 - Development of initial priorities for analysis
 - Continued discussion of inventory and reference case
- Need for a 9/15 call?

Public input/announcements?